LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL WEDNESDAY, 11 MARCH 2009

4.00pm

Prayers

4.00PM - ORDER OF BUSINESS

Statement by the President

Petitions

(Hon George Cash) (Hon Barry House)

Statements by Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries

Papers for Tabling

(President)

(Leader of the House)

(Minister for Transport)

(Minister for Energy)

(Minister for Child Protection)

(Parliamentary Secretary representing the Treasurer)

Notice of Questions

Notices of Motions for Disallowance

Notices of Motions to Introduce Bills

Notices of Motions

Motions without Notice

4.00pm Motions on Notice

5.00pm Questions without Notice

5.30pm Orders of the Day

10.00pm House adjourns

MOTIONS ON NOTICE

2. Select Committee into Public Sector Expenditure - Establishment (*Notice given 6 November 2008*)

Continuation of remarks Hon Peter Collier mins 2 (Wednesday, 3 December 2008) on the amendment of Hon Ray Halligan as follows -

(1) To delete paragraph 3(a) and insert instead -

- (a) the impact of the current financial crisis on the State's economy and finances;
- (b) the sustainability of the rate of growth in general government expenditure detailed in the 2008-09 Budget;
- (c) the sustainability of the forecast decrease in operating surplus detailed in the 2008-09 Budget;
- (d) the sustainability of the forecast increase in net debt detailed in the 2008-09 Budget;
- (e) the impacts of the 3% efficiency dividend introduced by the former Treasurer, Hon Eric Ripper MLA, and announced in the Pre-Election Financial Projections Statement in August 2008 on the general level of service delivery across all agencies, in particular any impacts on service delivery to regional areas;
- (f) the impact of failing to fully implement the 3% efficiency dividend on the operating surplus and net debt;
- (2) In paragraph 3(e) To insert after "function" -

, and if so specific advice on which agencies or functions should contribute a disproportionate share of the \$1,449 million in savings over the forward estimates identified by the former Treasurer, Hon Eric Ripper MLA in August 2008

to the motion of Hon Sue Ellery as follows -

- (1) That a select committee of three members is appointed, any two of whom constitute a quorum.
- (2) The committee and the proceedings of the committee are subject to Chapter XXII of Standing Orders and it is to be regarded for all purposes as a committee appointed under that chapter.
- (3) The committee is to inquire into and report on Government measures to audit the operational and financial performance of the Western Australian public sector, and any other means by which efficiencies in public sector expenditure can be gained and all the circumstances

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surrounding the implementations of the 3% efficiency dividend including -

- (a) the impacts of the 3 percent efficiency dividend on the general level of service delivery across all agencies; in particular any impacts on service delivery to regional areas,
- (b) consider alternative methods for achieving a 3 percent reduction in government expenditure;
- (c) whether the efficiency dividend has a disproportionate impact on smaller agencies, including whether or not smaller agencies are disadvantaged by poorer economies of scale or a relative inability to obtain funding for new policy proposals;
- (d) what measures agencies are taking to implement the efficiency dividend, and the effect on their functions, performance and staffing arrangements;
- (e) alternatives to an across-the-board efficiency dividend to encourage efficiency in the public sector, including consideration of whether certain agencies or functions of agencies should be exempt from the efficiency dividend, or whether the rate of the dividend should vary according to agency size or function.
- (4) The Committee may present interim reports without a requirement for leave and is to present its final report to the House not later than Tuesday, 12 May 2009.
- **4.** Transcripts of Evidence from Former Select Committee (Notice given 6 November 2008)

Hon Anthony Fels: To move -

That the Clerk of the Legislative Council Table in the House, within three sitting days of the order of the House, all transcripts of evidence given by the Hon Anthony Fels to the Select Committee of Privilege on a Matter Arising in the Standing Committee on Estimates and Financial Operations.

7. Renewable Energy Technologies - Gross Feed-in Tariff (Notice given 11 November 2008)

Hon Paul Llewellyn: To move -

That this House calls on the Western Australian Government to introduce a State-based comprehensive gross feed in tariff for renewable energy technologies.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

1. Address-in-Reply

Resumption of debate adjourned Hon Bruce Donaldson (Tuesday, 10 March 2009) on the motion of Hon Helen Morton.

*2. Electoral Amendment (Miscellaneous) Bill 2008 [LC 004-1] Leader of the House

Second reading adjourned (Tuesday, 11 November 2008). cf SNP 4 Issue 1 - 26 November 2008.

6. Statutes (Repeals and Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2008 [LC 013-1] Minister for Transport representing the Attorney General

Second reading adjourned (Wednesday, 12 November 2008).

BILLS FOR INTRODUCTION

1. Water Services Licensing (Water Conservation Target) Amendment Bill 2008 (Notice given 6 November 2008)

Hon Paul Llewellyn: To move -

That a Bill for "An Act to amend the *Water Services Licensing Act 1995*." be introduced and read a first time.

9. Prisoners (Interstate Transfer) Amendment Bill 2009 (Notice given 10 March 2009)

Minister for Transport: To move -

That a Bill for "An Act to amend the *Prisoners (Interstate Transfer) Act 1983.*" be introduced and read a first time.

10. Building and Construction Industry Training Fund and Levy Collection Amendment Bill 2009 (Notice given 10 March 2009)

Minister for Training: To move -

That a Bill for "An Act to amend the -

- Building and Construction Industry Training Fund and Levy Collection Act 1990; and
- Building and Construction Industry Training Fund and Levy Collection Regulations 1991."

be introduced and read a first time.

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11. Local Government Amendment Bill 2009 (Notice given 10 March 2009)

Minister for Energy representing the Minister for Local Government: To move - That a Bill for "An Act to amend the *Local Government Act 1995*." be introduced and read a first time.

12. Occupational Safety and Health Amendment Bill 2009 (Notice given 10 March 2009)

Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Commerce: To move - That a Bill for "An Act to amend the *Occupational Safety and Health Act 1984* and to make related amendments to the *Industrial Relations Act 1979*." be introduced and read a first time.

* For amendments see Supplementary Notice Paper and/or Committee Report

MALCOLM PEACOCK

Clerk of the Legislative Council